

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A printing apparatus comprising:
a discriminating unit for discriminating
whether an image is an image including a deteriorated
5 image or not;
a processing unit for deteriorating the whole
image if it is determined by said discriminating unit
that the image is the image including the
deteriorated image; and
10 a printing unit for printing the image
processed by said processing unit.
2. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein
said deterioration includes deterioration due to
15 compression.
3. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein
if it is determined by said discriminating unit that
the image is the image including the deteriorated
20 image, said processing unit decompresses the image
including the deteriorated image and performs
compression which causes the deterioration to the
decompressed image, thereby deteriorating the whole
image.
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4. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein
when a display list is formed, if it is determined by

said discriminating unit that the image is the image including the deteriorated image, said processing unit decompresses the image including the deteriorated image and performs the compression which
5 causes the deterioration to the decompressed image, thereby deteriorating the whole image.

5. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein upon rendering, if it is determined by said
10 discriminating unit that the image is the image including the deteriorated image, said processing unit decompresses the image including the deteriorated image and performs the compression which causes the deterioration to the decompressed image,
15 thereby deteriorating the whole image.

6. A printing method comprising:
a discriminating step of discriminating whether an image is an image including a deteriorated image
20 or not;
a processing step of deteriorating the whole image if it is determined by said discriminating step that the image is the image including the deteriorated image; and
25 a printing step of printing the image processed by said processing step.

7. A method according to claim 6, wherein said deterioration includes deterioration due to compression.

5 8. A method according to claim 6, wherein if it is determined by said discriminating step that the image is the image including the deteriorated image, said processing step decompresses the image including the deteriorated image and performs compression which
10 causes the deterioration to the decompressed image, thereby deteriorating the whole image.

 9. A method according to claim 6, wherein when a display list is formed, if it is determined by said
15 discriminating step that the image is the image including the deteriorated image, said processing step decompresses the image including the deteriorated image and performs the compression which causes the deterioration to the decompressed image,
20 thereby deteriorating the whole image.

 10. A method according to claim 6, wherein upon rendering, if it is determined by said discriminating step that the image is the image including the
25 deteriorated image, said processing step decompresses the image including the deteriorated image and performs the compression which causes the

deterioration to the decompressed image,
thereby deteriorating the whole image.

11. A program product comprising:

5 a discriminating step of discriminating whether
an image is an image including a deteriorated image
or not;

a processing step of deteriorating the whole
image if it is determined by said discriminating step
10 that the image is the image including the
deteriorated image; and

a printing step of printing the image processed
by said processing step.

15 12. A product according to claim 11, wherein
said deterioration includes deterioration due to
compression.

13. A product according to claim 11, wherein if
20 it is determined by said discriminating step that the
image is the image including the deteriorated image,
said processing step decompresses the image including
the deteriorated image and performs compression which
causes the deterioration to the decompressed image,
25 thereby deteriorating the whole image.

14. A product according to claim 11, wherein

when a display list is formed, if it is determined by
said discriminating step that the image is the image
including the deteriorated image, said processing
step decompresses the image including the
5 deteriorated image and performs compression which
causes the deterioration to the decompressed image,
thereby deteriorating the whole image.

15. A method according to claim 11, wherein
10 upon rendering, if it is determined by said
discriminating step that the image is the image
including the deteriorated image, said processing
step decompresses the image including the
deteriorated image and performs compression which
15 causes the deterioration to the decompressed image,
thereby deteriorating the whole image.